

City of Forney, TX
Solid Waste Collection RFP – Addendum #2
Answer to Questions received as of October 1, 2015

The items listed below are in response to questions submitted via email prior to the October 1, 2015, deadline.

1. Can you provide the current annual price separately (solid waste, recycling, bulky and Household Hazardous Waste)? Can you indicate if the disposal cost is included in that price?
The City does not have an annual breakdown price separately, but the current household price per month (including disposal/processing) charged to residents is:
Trash- \$6.06
Annual Clean Up- \$0.25
Recycling Rate- \$1.39
2. Can you provide the current solid waste, recycling, bulky and Household Hazardous Waste routes separately?
The City does not have records of the current routes.
3. Can you provide the current disposal facility for solid waste? What is the current price?
The current disposal facility, utilized by the current contractor, is McCommas Bluff Landfill.
The City does not have current price information.
4. Can you provide the current processing facility for Recycling? What is the current price?
The City does not have this information. The current Contractor handles processing of program recyclable materials.
5. Can you provide the current tonnage per year separately for commercial front load service and roll off?
The City does not have this information. All of the tonnage information available is in the RFP document.
6. There is a contradiction between item 10, (page 13 of RFP) which states that Residential services are to be provided from Monday through Thursday, while item 17.1, (page 16 of Solid Waste and Recycling Services Agreement) states that Contractor shall provide collection to residential service units from Monday through Friday. Which one is correct?
Monday through Thursday
7. Item 17, (page 14) states that collection vehicles shall be six (6) years old or less. Is this a requirement during the entire life of the contract or just at the beginning? In the case of the 7 year term option being selected, should new vehicles be provided after year 6?

This requirement is for the life of the contract. If a Proposer chooses to do so, he may propose an exception to the requirement for a 7 year term contract.

8. Item 20, (page 15) states that the successful proposer shall pay the City a 10% Franchise Fee. All of the forms contained in FORM 3: PRICING INFORMATION state that proposed fee excludes 10% franchise fee and public education contribution. Is it the City's intent that once the contract is awarded, the proposed price will be increased accordingly based on the franchise fee amount and public education contribution?

The franchise fee is equal to ten percent (10%) of gross billings for services provided via the Agreement within the City. The public education contribution is equal to \$0.50 per Residential Service Unit per month. The City may increase or decrease the Public Education and Outreach Contribution with ninety (90) days written notice to the Contractor. The proposed pricing will be increased accordingly based on the then current franchise fee and public education contribution.

9. FORM 3.6.1. Do these prices include any applicable fees. Example: dumpster rental fee, delivery, removal, swap, and/or maintenance?

Section 25(c) prohibits the Contractor from billing the City or Customers for any fees other than those specifically authorized in this Agreement. Proposers must include all fees in Form 3. Proposers may propose other fees such as dumpster rental fees, delivery, removal, swap and maintenance on Form 3.6.4.

10. Please confirm if proposed pricing in Forms 3.2 and 3.4 will not include disposal costs? Will the City pay for disposal directly with the City of Garland?

That is correct.

11. Item 6.2.b (page 13 of Agreement). How is the current hauler providing City-wide brush services? Are services being subcontracted? Can subcontractors be used for these events? How many City-wide brush service events has the City experienced in the past 2 years?

Brush is currently a base service being provided by the Contractor. A subcontractor may only be used with City approval. The City does not currently contract for City-wide brush events. There have been 1-2 times per year where additional brush collection has been requested due to storm damage.

12. Item 25.b (page 22 of Agreement) states that contractor agrees senior citizens shall receive a ten percent (10%) discount on the then-current rate schedule for Base Services for Residential Service Units. How many of these customers does the City of Forney have?

Forney currently has 601 senior citizen customers. This number varies month to month.

13. Can we offer automated collection for recycling in both options and for solid waste also in option 2 (with carts), or is rear loader collection mandatory?

Proposers may offer alternatives by taking an exception to the contract.

14. Is the current provider collecting bulky waste and solid waste together in the same truck? If bulky waste and solid waste are collected together in the same truck, should there be a separate pricing for Form 3.5 if all of the material is taken to the City of Garland landfill?

Yes, the same truck is currently used for collection of bulky waste that is included in the residential base services. If the City contracts with the City of Garland for disposal of solid waste collected from residential base services, the City shall be responsible for disposal of bulky waste collected via the residential base services. Disposal of additional bulk waste services will be the responsibility of the contractor. Proposers may offer alternatives by taking an exception to the contract.

15. Please provide detailed totals of all items collected during the current recycling events. Actual weights and numbers of containers are preferred.

A typical event takes in about 2,000 lbs of paper and 3,000 lbs of HHW. The busiest event took place on June 15, 2013. At that event the following was collected:

HHW: 5,600 lbs

Shredded Paper: 4,700 lbs

Electronics: 5,876 lbs

Tires: 4,160 lbs